Fort Hamilton News

(Jan. 9, 2004)

Martin Luther King Day Observance

The Fort Hamilton Garrison observance of Martin Luther King Day will take place on January 23rd, 12pm at the Community Club. This year's guest speaker will be Command Sgt. Maj. Kevin B. Stuart of the Fort Riley Medical Center. Mark your calendar for this event!

Military History Cinema Night

Visit the Harbor Defense Museum (directly behind the Community Club) on Thursday, Jan. 29th, 7:00pm "The Best Years of Our Lives" (1946) will be shown and discussed. This is a film where three WWII veterans return home to small-town America to discover that they and their families have been irreparably changed. The event is free and open to the public. For directions or reservations call 1-718-630-4349.

TransitCheks Available Tuesday

The Department of Transportation representatives will issue TransitCheks for **U.S. Army Personnel of Fort Hamilton only** on Tuesday, January 13th from 0900 – 1500 in the Post Theater. Recipients must have their Army I.D. with them. Garrison personnel may call Ray Greenleaf for any additional information at: 718-630-4335.

Intramural Hoops Tip-off

Intramural Basketball begins this Saturday the 10th in the post gym with the MEPS/ Recruiting team facing the Navy at 11am. Come out and support your team!

Application Window for Scholarship Program

The application window for the **2004** Scholarships for Military Children program extends through Feb. 18. This is an opportunity for the children of active duty, retired and Guard and Reserve members to apply for a \$1,500 academic scholarship. The program, operated by the Defense Commissary Agency has awarded nearly \$2.5 million in scholarships to some 1,500 children of U.S. service members and retirees. For more information about the scholarship program and application procedures, visit the program's Web site: **www.militaryscholar.org** or for assistance with any aspect of the application process, or use of a computer contact: Margaret Forsyth, CYS Coordinator Bldg.111, phone: 718-630-4475. Great opportunity! Don't let it pass you by!!

NY State Tax Forms

The Post Library has New York State tax forms and instructions for 2003. Federal tax forms and instructions have not yet arrived, but should be in some time this month. For more information call **718-630-4875.** The Post Library is located at Sterling Drive and Pershing Loop West, in Building 404.

Fort Hamilton Chapel Events

Parent/toddler Group meets every Tues. & Thurs. mornings at the Chapel. There are many interesting and fun activities planed for this year. Twice a month there's a trip scheduled and once a month there's a class set up by Army Community Services. For more information call 1-718-630-4754 or 1-718-630-4969.

Sunday Services:

Reconciliation 9 a.m.
Sunday Mass 9:30 a.m.
CCD 10:30 a.m.
'A Closer Look' 9:30 a.m.

Youth & adults are invited to join Chaplain Nagler to take "A Closer Look" at the scripture readings for the day.

Collective Protestant Service 11 a.m.

If you're interested in singing in the choir please call: 718-852-0728.

Guided Meditation

Come and treat yourself to an hour of peace, tranquility, and progressive relaxation. Together we will listen to soft, peaceful, and soothing music combined with a meditation exercise to help energize you and let go of some of those negative thoughts. For more information, p/s call 718-630-4460

For childcare, p/s RSVP 5 days in advance. Our next class will be on Tuesday January 13 from 11am - 12pm

Fort Hamilton Community Club Events

January is Football Month at the Club! Call 718-833-9772/9773 for Details

Video Teleconferencing

VTC is continually available at ACS. To make an appointment to talk with your loved one, just call 718-630-4754.

Fort Hamilton Theater

All Shows start at 7 p.m.-Schedule is subject to change. Call 630-4581 for an automated message with the current movie listings. ADULTS \$3 CHILDREN UNDER 12 \$1.50. The theater is open to all guests of Fort Hamilton.

| Jan. 09 | Timeline | PG-13 |
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| Jan. 10 | Gothika | R |
| Jan. 11 | The Missing | R |
| Jan. 16 | The Haunted Mansion | PG |
| Jan. 17 | Runaway Jury | PG-13 |
| Jan. 18 | Love Actually | R |

Baseball, Basketball and Youth Track Registration

Registration open to all youth! Sign-up for one of the Fort Hamilton Teams. All Youth Participants MUST BE CYS registered and have a SPORTS Physical to Practice and Play Call Mr. Russ at (718) 630-4518 for more information.

COACHES NEEDED!!

Sign Up For the Coaches Clinics!

Basketball Certification January 15, 6 pm Baseball/T-ball Certification January 29, 6 pm

Please Register with Mr. Russ beforehand, so we have enough training materials for everyone. All Clinics at the Youth Center. We need your expertise!

I.D. Card Section Notice

ID Card Extended Hours in 2004

In an effort to better service our military community the Fort Hamilton ID Card Section will extend its hours of operation in the year 2004. Starting January 8, 2004 the ID Card Section will remain open on each Thursday until 6:00 pm. Starting February 7, 2004 our office will offer ID Card services on the first Saturday of each month.

Our new 2004 operational hours will be:

Monday - Wednesday 8:30am -11:45am 1:00pm - 3:30pm

Thursday 8:30am - 11:45am 1:00pm - 6:00pm

Friday 8:30am -11:45am 1:00pm - 3:30pm

First Saturday of the month: 9:00am -12:00pm 1:00pm - 4:00pm

Please note that 2004 will be by appointment only. For additional information and appointments call the ID Card Section at (718) 630-4557.

Some Brooklyn Museum of Art Happenings

Assyrian Reliefs at the Brooklyn Museum of Art

The highlight of this exhibition is twelve monumental alabaster reliefs from the Northwest Palace of the Assyrian king Ashur-nasir-pal II (883-859 B.C.E.). The Northwest Palace was discovered by an Englishman, Henry Layar, in 1846.

American Identities: A New Look at the Brooklyn Museum

This reinstallation of the Brooklyn Museum of Art's American art holdings, one of the great American art collections in the world, includes works by such artists as Thomas Cole, John Singer Sargent, Thomas Eakins, and Georgia O'Keeffe among many others. **Museum Hours**: Wed.-Fri., 10am-5pm. Sat&Sun., 11am-6pm. Open 11am-11pm the 1st Saturday of each month. **Museum Admission**: \$6 for adults, \$3 for students and seniors. Members are admitted free.

Army to Update ID Cards and DEERS for Reserve Component

The Army announced ongoing initiatives to update Reserve Component Soldiers and family members' identification cards and information in the Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System. These cards convey benefits and privileges and act as the Soldiers' Geneva Conventions card.

Family members wishing to confirm eligibility can call 1-800-538-9552 or 1-800-334-4162 (California), 1-800-527-5602 (Alaska and Hawaii).

Family members can locate the nearest ID card issuing facility at the Rapids Site Locator web page at HTTP://WWW.DMDC.OSD.MIL/RSL.

If DEERS fails to reflect the extension, family members can call the RC Personnel Services Support Division in AHRC-Alexandria for assistance, commercial 703-325-0083.

CPSC Issues Recall

If you have any of the following items, Crazy Bounce Balls, Zipper Pulls, Cloth Santa Decorations Sold at Wal-Mart, The **U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission** in conjunction with the manufacturers has issued an immediate recall. To access color photos of the following recalled products, see CPSC's Web site at www.cpsc.gov. or call CPSC Recall Hotline: (800) 638-2772, or American Greetings Corp. at (800) 777-4891 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. ET Monday through Friday, or go to the firm's Web Site at http://corporate.americangreetings.com.

The CPSC has also issued safety warnings for Turkey Fryers.

Scholarships Available to Military Dependants

The Military Officers Association of America (MOAA) is giving away scholarship money to 50 college-bound or undergraduate students with individual \$1000 scholarship grants for the 2004-2005 school year.

To be eligible, a student must be under age 24, working on a first undergraduate degree, and a dependent child of an active duty service person - enlisted, warrant officer, or officer - in the United States Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, Coast Guard, Public Health Service, or National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. This includes members of the drilling Reserves and National Guard. An applicant must be the DEPENDENT CHILD of an ACTIVE DUTY member or DRILLING Reserve/National Guard member. An applicant must be a high school senior or college student planning to attend an accredited college or university as a full-time student in the fall of 2004. Grant recipients will be randomly selected from among applicants within each of the seven services. No GPA, SAT or essays will be needed for Base/Post application. MOAA membership is not a requirement.

Application is via the MOAA website: http://www.moaa.org. Click on "Educational Aid" on left side of the opening page, and then follow the easy instructions for the multipurpose Scholarship Application. Deadline for submission is **Noon, EST March 1, 2004**

Paperwork from the MOAA can be picked up at the **Education Center on Fort Hamilton**, Bldg. 218, 1st Floor, main area.

BINGO Returns to the Club

IT'S BACK! Starting this November, BINGO returns to the Fort Hamilton Community Club every Thursday Night. Doors open at 5:30 and Early Bird games begin at 6:30 p.m. The regular program begins at 7 p.m. For price & guest information call 1-718-630-1035/1036. Progressive Jackpot is \$2,000!

Fitness For You

Fitness Center Hours

Mon - Fri 6a.m. to 9 p.m. Sat - Sun 10a.m. to 6 p.m.

Holidays Closed

Some classes may be cancelled due to unforeseen situations. It's advised that you call ahead to ensure the class you want to attend will be conducted. Call the gym at 718-630-4793 to ensure your class will be held. The Fitness Center requires that all personnel using the facility bring with them an extra pair of workout athletics shoes to be used within the fitness center. This will help ensure the equipment and the general facility will remain in good quality condition.

AER & Food Assistance

Due to the increase in customer volume, Fort Hamilton's Army Emergency Relief customers are now seen by appointments from Tuesday until Friday. Appointments are at Fort Hamilton's Army Community Services Building (#405). Walk in customers may visit the Army Community Service Building Mondays from 9 a.m. - Noon. Emergency cases such as death/ burial or Emergency travel will be seen at anytime Monday thru Friday from 8 a.m. until 4:30. If an Emergency should arise during the

weekend or after hours, please contact the Red Cross at 1-718-330-9200 and 1-212-787-1000 for NYC.

Exceptional Family Members

The EFMP is mandatory designed to meet the needs of family members with physical, emotional, developmental or intellectual disorder. To enroll contact 718-630-4460. For services call 718-630-4460.